

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	68851	Agenda Number	20.
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Meeting Date:	3/2/2017	Department:	Public Health
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Subject

Approve negotiation and execution of the third Amendment to an agreement with CARITAS OF AUSTIN to increase funding for the provision of housing stability resources in an amount not to exceed \$162,416 for the current 37-month term ending September 30, 2018, and increase funding for the three remaining 12-month renewal options in an amount not to exceed \$81,208 per renewal option, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$21,655,606.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$81,208 is included in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budget of Austin Public Health. Funding for the renewal options is contingent upon the availability of funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
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Prior Council Action:	On September 14, 2016 Council approved Ordinance No. 20160914-001 adopting the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budget. On June 23, 2016, Council approved Amendment # 2 increasing the agreement by \$65,000. On March, 31, 2016, Council approved Amendment # 1 increasing the agreement by 6%. On November 20, 2014, Council approved agenda item 20141120-071 approving award, negotiation and execution of this agreement in response to Request for Proposal No. EAD0116 for self-sufficiency social services.
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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	
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Related Items:	
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Additional Backup Information

The current social service agreement with Caritas of Austin was awarded through the 2014 Austin Public Health Self-Sufficiency Request for Applications with services beginning on September 1, 2015 for an initial 37-month term ending on September 30, 2018 in the amount of \$9,992,721, with three 12-month extension options in the amount of \$3,330,907 per extension option. Amendment No. 1 included a six percent increase of \$599,562, and Amendment No. 2 included additional one-time funding of \$65,000 for flood disaster financial assistance activities. During the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 budget process, Council approved \$600,000 in funding for current social service providers for a cost of living increase which resulted in a 2.3% increase for most social service contracts. Amendment No. 3 will increase the contract by \$162,416 with each extension option \$3,611,969 for total contract amount for the period September 1, 2015 through September 30, 2018 of \$10,819,699. Caritas of Austin administers the Best Single Source Plus Collaborative (BSS+C) program, consisting of 13 partner agencies. The BSS+C program provides individuals and families in Austin/Travis County with comprehensive housing stability resources inclusive of case management and basic needs services.\

This program ensures that clients have access to basic necessities, starting with housing and extending to food, clothing, physical/mental health care, and other supportive services.

Performance Measures:

Output Measures:

1. Total number of unduplicated clients served: 3,091
2. Total Case Managed Clients: 2,823
3. Total One-Time-Financial Assistance Clients: 268

Outcome Measures:

1. Percent of households at risk of homelessness that maintain housing: 75%
2. Percent of case-managed households that transition from homelessness to housing: 70%

Related Departmental Goal: Provision: Social Services – Promote and foster increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors, and lifestyle among targeted populations.